

Shipping.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship *Commensal*, will be dispatched for the above Port on or about the 20th January, 1898.
For Freight, apply to
SHAW, TOMES & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 29, 1898. 2404

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship *Peiyang*, Captain R. K. Kwan, will be dispatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 7th Inst., at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, January 4, 1899. 36

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY AND JAVA.
The Co.'s Steamship *Kwaiyang*, Captain C. W. Kwan, will be dispatched for the above Port on SUNDAY, the 8th Inst., at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, January 4, 1899. 32

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.
The Co.'s Steamship *Zeus*, Captain R. K. Kwan, will be dispatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 9th Inst., at 8 p.m.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Produce during the entire voyage. A fully-qualified Surgeon is on board, and the vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.
N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUCKLAND are available for Return by the Steamers of the Eastern and Australian S. S. Co., and vice versa.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, January 4, 1899. 31

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER PASSENGER.

FROM BOMBAY AND STARITS.
Consignees of cargo on the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being loaded and placed at their risk in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.
This Vessel is to be on Cargo—
From PENANG, GULF, &c. a B. I. S. N. Co.'s Steamer.
Goods not cleared by the 3rd January, at 4 p.m., will be subject to sale.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.
All claims of cargo must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here after which no claims will be recognized.
H. A. RITCHE, Superintendent.
Hongkong, December 23, 1898. 2487

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. S. S. *Dorthea Rickmers*, Capt. P. Rickmers, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Goods are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Underigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from the Godown.
Any cargo impeding their discharge will be loaded into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.
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Shipping.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY & TAMSUI.
The Co.'s Steamship *Haimun*, Capt. H. H. H. H., will be dispatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 6th Inst., at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIE & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, January 3, 1899. 30

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.
The Co.'s Chartered S.S. *Yangtze*, Captain L. H. H., will be dispatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 6th Inst., at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIE & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, January 3, 1899. 19

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Co.'s Steamship *Wangyang*, Captain D. W. H., will be dispatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 6th Inst., at 3 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, January 3, 1899. 33

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

The Steamship *Kwaiyang*, Captain H. H. H., will be dispatched for the above Port on SATURDAY MORNING, the 7th Inst.
This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First-Class Passengers.
For Particulars, apply to
R. ISAACS & BROTHER, 7, Becclesfield Avenue, Hongkong, January 4, 1899. 34

'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.
The Steamship *Ben*, Captain H. H. H., will be dispatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 7th Inst., at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, January 3, 1899. 26

'MOGUL' LINE OF STEAMERS.

YOKOHAMA.
The Steamship *Mogul*, Captain R. K. Kwan, will be dispatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 7th Inst., at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL & Co., Limited, Agents.
Hongkong, January 2, 1899. 11

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Co.'s Steamship *Ocean*, Captain R. K. Kwan, will be dispatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 10th Inst., at 4 p.m.
For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, December 30, 1898. 2503

MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Steamship *Mogul*, Captain R. K. Kwan, will be dispatched for the above Port on or about the 12th January, 1899.
To be followed by the
S.S. *Enryia*, to sail about 19th Jan., 1899.
S.S. *Pulham*, to sail about 26th Jan., 1899.
S.S. *Arcturion*, to sail about 2nd Feb., 1899.
S.S. *Sikh*, to sail about 9th Feb., 1899.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 27, 1898. 2431

UNITED STATES AND CHINA JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

FOR NEW YORK (DIRECT).
The Steamship *U.S.S. Albatross*, Captain R. K. Kwan, will be dispatched for the above Port on or about the 12th Inst.
For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, January 3, 1899. 17

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK.
The S.S. *A.L. American Ship*, Captain R. K. Kwan, will be dispatched for the above Port on or about the 12th Inst.
For Freight, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, November 6, 1898. 2118

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The S.S. *A.L. British Bark*, Captain R. K. Kwan, will be dispatched for the above Port on or about the 12th Inst.
For Freight, apply to
SHAW, TOMES & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 29, 1898. 2407

Mails.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.
STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS.
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.
The Company's Steamers will call at SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.
V.S. Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.
Proposed Sailings from Hongkong.
SUNNY TO ALGERIA.
Prinz Heinrich | Friday | Jan. 6, 1899.
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ON FRIDAY, the 6th day of

January, 1899, at 9 a.m. the Com-

pany's S.S. *PRINZ HEINRICH*, Capt. H. H. H., will be dispatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 6th Inst., at 3 p.m.

Shipping Orders will be received on board until 5 p.m. on Thursday, the 5th Inst., and will be received at the Agency Office until 4 p.m. on Thursday, the 5th Inst.

Passengers and Cargo for the above Port will be received at the Agency Office until 4 p.m. on Thursday, the 5th Inst.

For further Particulars, apply to
MEYER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, December 31, 1898. 2330

STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA,

INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERMAN GULF, COCHIN, CANTON AND AMERICAN PORTS.

The Steamship *PRINZ HEINRICH*, Capt. H. H. H., will be dispatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 7th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL & Co., Limited, Agents.
Hongkong, January 2, 1899. 11

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUETTES POSTES FRANCAISES.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BREMEN, &c.

Ports of Brazil & River Plate.

On SATURDAY, the 14th Inst., at Noon, the Company's Steamship *Albatross*, Captain R. K. Kwan, will be dispatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 14th Inst., at Noon.

Cargo and Specie will be received at the Agency Office until 4 p.m. on the 13th Inst. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 13th Inst. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

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G. de CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
Hongkong, January 2, 1899. 13

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour.

Howard D. Thos. British ship, Capt. D. W. Corning.—Standard Oil Co.

Island Hawaiian bark, Captain C. G. McCarty.—Standard Oil Co.

W. H. Cochrane, American ship, Capt. J. T. Kinkaid.—Siemssen & Co.

Mails.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN & HONOLULU.

Proposed Sailings from Hongkong.

America Maru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Saturday, Jan. 14, 1899.

Honolulu Maru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1899.

Nippon Maru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu) Saturday, March 6, at Noon.

THE Steamship *AMERICA MARU* will be dispatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 14th Inst., 1899, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application to the Agents.

Passengers holding Orders to EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of 24 in addition to the regular tariff rates.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcels will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

Hongkong, December 15, 1898. 2330

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHAFON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

Proposed Sailings from HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Taking Cargo and Passengers to JAPAN, HONOLULU, and the UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, &c.

S.S. *Carlisle City*, 3,022 Tons, about 14th January, 1899.

S.S. *Carthage*, 3,022 Tons, about 15th February.

S.S. *Belgian King*, 3,379 Tons, about 15th March.

THE Steamship *Carlisle City* will be dispatched for SAN DIEGO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, 14th Inst., 1899.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcels will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, December 17, 1898. 2406

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Ports of Brazil & River Plate.

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Cargo and Specie will be received at the Agency Office until 4 p.m. on the 13th Inst. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

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There are now twelve ladies, married and single, as compared with one five years ago.

When no less a personage than the Governor of the Colony, the Hon. Mr. P. O. O'Sullivan, is in the office there is hope of amendment in that institution.

H.M.S. *Thetis* is not returning to Shanghai, but the *Thetis*, which has gone over to Nanking, will be ordered there and will probably arrive at the end of the second week of January.

JAPAN papers report that Kang Yu-wei is alarmed at the reported intention of the Empress Dowager to her Minister at Tokyo to capture him dead or alive, and will leave very shortly for the United States or England.

A match was played at the Happy Valley yesterday between the Hongkong F.C. and the 25th Company, R.A. A somewhat desultory game resulted in a win for the Club by 4 goals to 1. For the Club, Looker and Noble each shot two goals.

The Governor of Hunan has issued a proclamation exhorting the people to be friendly to Christians. It is hoped Yochow will be opened to foreign commerce in March next. Dr. Griffith John suggests the opening of Changsha, Changteh, and Singan.

We understand that Lord Charles Beresford visited the establishment of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company at Kowloon yesterday morning, and that he expressed himself as surprised and pleased with the facilities for the docking, handling and repairing of large ships. H.M.S. *Victoria* will dock soon at Kowloon.

On 25th December, the American sailing ship *Vigilant*, with a cargo of coal for the American navy, arrived at Manilla with her cargo on fire. She was run into shallow water, and assistance was rendered by the staff of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company at present engaged in salvaging the wrecked Spanish gunboats. The ship was flooded by one of the wreckage pumps and all danger averted.

The steam trial of H.M.S. *Woodlark* took place at Shanghai on the 29th December. The party on board consisted of Commander Cochran, R.N., Lieut. Forbes, R.N., etc., of H.M.S. *Phaeton*, Lieut. Watson, R.N., and Dr. Keith, R.N., of the *Woodcock*. Mr. Guyer, who has been putting her together, Mr. Moberly, the pilot, and a few invited guests. Untrammelled, she made a speed of 12.6 knots, against 13.6 at home. There was a good sea at the time, but the gunboat stood it well.

In accordance with a report by Mr. C. V. Ladd, a new 'yow-lau' was drafted to work at the meeting of the Sanitary Board, fixing the charge for cattle housed at the Canton Depots at two cents per head per day, which up to the present day has been the usual fee. When the Sheep and Swine Depots were opened in May, 1889, bye-laws were made authorizing the scale of fees to be charged for sheep and swine housed therein, but at that time the Government Cattle Depot was leased out to a contractor, and, therefore, did not come under the control of the Sanitary Board until January 1, 1890—at which time Mr. Ladd was on leave. When the place was taken over the matter seemed to have escaped notice, and no additional bye-law was passed.

In connection with the resolution of the Sanitary Board at the last meeting, asking the Government to ascertain whether plague was prevalent in the neighbourhood of Canton, the Colonial Secretary received a communication from H.B.M. Consul, R. W. Mansfield, dated December 28, in which he stated that plague was not known to exist either in Canton or its neighbourhood. The Catholic Bishop, who had excellent means of obtaining information, stated he had not heard of the existence of plague except in a Hongkong paper (*Daily Press*), and in that a village was mentioned he had never heard of. Dr. Kerr had also made enquiries and could hear of no cases. On January 3, Dr. J. C. Thomson forwarded to the Government a report by Dr. Chung, of the Tung Wah Hospital, of his investigations into the prevalence of plague in Canton and its neighbourhood. The conclusions Dr. Chung drew from his enquiry were—(1) That there has been no plague, or only sporadic cases, in Canton, since the last epidemic in the spring of 1889; (2) that the rumours of the presence of an infectious disease in Canton and the neighbouring villages have arisen from the prevalence of influenza and malarial fevers; (3) that sporadic cases of plague are occurring in Fatsan and its vicinity; (4) that plague probably exists to some extent along the North River. Regarding this Dr. Thomson will probably be able to give some information. The following extract is from Dr. Chung's report:—

From enquiries made at the drugist and coffin shops in various parts of the city (Canton) and suburbs, I learned that business in both was unusually dull. I am glad to bring to your notice that a Sanitary Bureau has been formed in Canton by a number of progressive Chinese literati with the sanction of the authorities. It has branch offices in different parts of the city. Its objects are to remove accumulations of filth, to sweep the streets, and to clear away filth from the drains.

We are authorised (says the *China Gazette* of the 31st December) by M. Pavloff, ex-Russian Consul at Peking, to contradict the reported demand by Russia for the Miao group of islands in the Gulf of Pechili. M. Pavloff states there is no truth whatever in the report. In the course of an interview Mr. Pavloff stated the report that the Russian Government intended to open Port Arthur and Tientsin as free ports is untrue. Their intentions are very different, as we hope to show at length in our next issue.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL']

LONDON, January 3, 1890.

AMERICAN REINFORCEMENTS FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

The American Government is hastening the despatch of reinforcements for the Philippines, and six regiments will leave within a fortnight.

PORTUGAL.

At the opening of the Cortes, the King dwelt upon the necessity of preserving and developing the colonies in their entirety as a sacred heritage.

THE KHALIFA AGAIN ON THE WAR-PATH.

Reuters' Agency at Cairo wires that Colonel Kitchener has started to assume the command of an expedition from Dulim against the Khalifa, who is raiding the Arabs in that district.

OBITUARY.

The Duke of Northumberland.

(L'Espresso du Tonkin.)

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS IN TONKIN.

PARIS, December 22.

It is proposed that six millions of the balance of the loan should be spent in Tonkin for the improvement of the roads in the military territory, irrigation and drainage, the amelioration of the harbour at Hongay, and the establishment of a sanatorium at Langson.

FRANCE AND TURKEY.

PARIS, December 26.

M. Constans has been appointed French Ambassador at Constantinople.

CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

VISIT OF PRINCESS HENRY OF PRUSSIA.

CANTON, January 4.

The Prince and Princess, accompanied by their suite, travelled from Hongkong to Canton yesterday on the S.S. *Fushan*. They arrived opposite the Shamien shortly after three o'clock. The *Fushan* was anchored to allow their Royal Highnesses to disembark, instead of going to the wharf, through the streets. This visit is strictly private one, and word to that effect was sent from Hongkong. Accordingly, there was no demonstration when they landed.

The Prince and Princess are the guests of Mr. Lange, the Acting German Consul. Last night, Mr. and Mrs. Lange entertained at the Consulate a number of the German community. Only married people were, I understand, invited, the ladies being left out in the cold.

Although the Chinese officials had received no notice of this visit, word had leaked out, and several representative mandarins called at the German Consulate to pay their respects, soon after the arrival of the royal visitors.

DEPARTURE OF THE PROVINCIAL TREASURER.

Last Sunday, there was a great stir in Canton. The immediate cause was the departure of the Provincial Treasurer to fill a similar appointment in the Province of Kansu (Cantonese, 'Kam Suk'). This official has enjoyed great popularity during his term of office. It is but seldom that we can get to know anything that transpires behind the scenes with regard to mandarins. In this case, it is an open secret that the late Provincial Treasurer was not a person *gratia* to the Viceroy, who has been doing all he could to have him removed, and has at length succeeded. When the people first of all heard that the Treasurer had been ordered away, they were up in arms, and swore they would never consent to such a step. This, of course, was only a Chinese official. It would take nearly a column of your valuable space to give the lists of the presents he has received. Among them are some seventy official umbrellas, and an immense number of ornamental boards on which are written sentences praising the unparalleled virtues of the Treasurer.

GUARDING THE STREETS.

As the year (Chinese) draws to a close, additional number of guards are set to watch the streets. These guardians of the peace are well armed. Besides guns and swords, most of them have foreign revolvers, which they flourish about in a way that is not very nice for the passer-by to see, not knowing at what moment a bullet may be accidentally discharged from one of them. Of course, this being a free country, no one has a right to interfere. The other day I saw one of these noble guards beating a man with the butt end of a revolver, a proceeding that was safer for the man who was being assaulted than those who saw the action.

VISITORS AT THE DOCKS.—At Kowloon.

Yuen-sung, Indro Poon, H.I.G.M.S. Kai-sang, Aak, Byah, H.I.G.M.S. Mow, H.I.G.M.S. Gofon, H.I.G.M.S. Kiserin, Augusta, Iala de Cuba, Iala de Luzon, Amigo, Iala, Canton.

COMPOSITION.—HON. FATHAN.

Abderrahman—Machew, Paratiah.

CRISIS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

STRAINED RELATIONS WITH THE AMERICANS.

OUTLINE OF FILIPINO PRO-GRAMME.

HONOLULU, January 2.

It is now undeniable that a serious crisis has arisen in the Philippines, and a true idea of the situation may be gathered from the following information placed at our disposal, after telegraphic despatch to Europe:—

The serious crisis which has arisen in the Philippines is entirely due to what the Filipinos allege to be their unfair treatment by the United States. We have information telegraphed from Manila under date 4th January to the effect that General Otis has received orders from his Government to assume the military control of the whole of the Philippine Islands. In conformity with these orders, he despatched troops and warships to the southern Visayas islands five days ago. From enquiries we learn that the American forces have arrived off Iloilo (which surrendered to the National Filipino troops a few days ago), and are under orders to take the Visayas notwithstanding the fact that they know the whole of Visayas are in possession of Filipino national forces. The Filipinos (and all natives of Visayas) are determined to prevent the landing of the American troops at Iloilo, and, if necessary, they will destroy the city.

It is undeniable that a rupture in the friendly relations hitherto happily existing between the Filipino National Government and the American Executive at Manila is imminent, and that actual hostilities are even in contemplation. If forced into war by the unreasonable, unfair, overbearing, intolerable policy of the Americans, the Filipinos will accept the inevitable, though deeply regretting that the friendly relations which commenced with the co-operation of Admiral Dewey around Manila in May last should be broken off, through no fault of the Filipinos.

The programme of the Filipino Government is recognition of the independence of the Philippines—an adherence to the policy decided upon when the agreement was made with Admiral Dewey in May last and consistently followed by the Filipinos since then, viz., independence coupled with American protection.

The Filipinos appeal to the American people to use their influence with the Government to avoid bloodshed, and earnestly assure the American nation that the Filipinos still desire to complete a friendly settlement on all questions between the Government and the people.

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THE NORTH-EAST MONSOON.

Where Liangtung's chill waters
Lave lonely Lau-to-shan,
Where pale Pacific rollers
Break beneath thy cliffs Japan,
There, as September's evening,
The breeze a lightness breeze,
And ever impasse gaining,
I seek the Southern Seas.

Blow! blow! I sing as I go,
To a dainty dancing tune,
I'm a jolly-some spirit of ice and snow,
I'm the North-East Monsoon.

The Promontory rounding
I gain the Yellow Sea;
A cold, cold breeze blowing,
I shout with noisy glee;
I whistle round the lantern
That lights my Southward way;
And on the gleaming lenses
I look a playful spray.

Then throwing off my languor—
Pure joy and calm drunk—
Still none in fun than anger
I crumple up a junk;
I chase the stupans hurrying
To save their daily cast,
With tattered sails scurrying
Like leaves before the blast.

I stir the sands of ocean—
The Yangtsé's tribute brown—
I raise a fierce commotion
On reefs of dark renown,
Till by the rising morning
I rage, a healthy gale,
And smother with my howling
The drowning fisher's wail.

Blow! blow! I sing as I go—
There's a hurricane in my tune—
A yearning cry as I thunder by,
Beware the North-East Monsoon!

By every reef and headland
My victims slumber deep;
By every rugged cliff
Some long-dead heroes sleep;
The fisherman supine,
Who naps his might terrific
Both sleep beneath the brine.

The port Pacific near,
Of horse-power thousands ten,
My short cross seas enlarge 'em
And pound her bows again;
In dread Pomona's Channel
I make her speed as naught,
For upper works like flannel
Fantastical are wrought.

The wallowing low-powered coasters,
They shirk my tempest weight,
They scuttle behind Matsuo
And wriggle Hainan Strait.
My treacherous lulls deceive 'em,
They leave their decks ajar,
I sweep their decks and leave 'em
An outrage on the night.

Then off to wider ocean,
My course I prey I greet,
The collier tramps from Cardiff,
The Java sugar fleet;
In steam their trust confiding,
They dare my fiercest blast;
Their science all deriding,
I leave them to their fate.

The Paracels' drear islands
I garb in breakers vile;
From Paduan's bluff highlands
To green Nature's Isle,
I harrow leagues of waters;
Till, in the sunset glow,
That cool Malay's daughters,
I die, a murmuring breeze.

Rest! rest! I whisper light,
As I glide the grey I greet,
A sentinel look on the reef they stand,
All ashore o'er the gleaming silver sand
And I sigh for the craft so staunch and tight
That I whistled in my joyous careless
might.

For I as they
I leave the sea had seen,
So mourn in mournful tune;
As a drowsy breeze
In these languid seas
Dies the North-East Monsoon.

J. DALZIEL.

TRANSFERRING AND CABIN PLACES ARE INVALUABLE AND VERY STRONG.—Robinson Piano Co.

Some people make the best of everything—and others like it.

The Rev. G. F. Candlin, writing in the 'Open Court,' says it is a proof of the high degree of education to which fiction literature in China has been carried that most of their novels are thickly interspersed with poems of all orders of merit.

He feels that many of us, like himself, may want to see that other. Why not arrange an exchange of 'cures of souls'?

Our G. P. Owen will go to China and run the Peking mission, not forgetting to keep a paternal eye on the welfare of the fair deacons.

The Rev. G. P. Owen, who would probably beat the better for a change from the above duties, would be able to get, during his period of 'locomotive' journey, a fair insight into the running of the Sporting Club, the Cricket Club, and the Fire Brigade, not omitting a little fun in the way of tiger shooting or potting rabbit dogs. The exchange would prove a liberal education for both gentlemen.

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Mr. Yamada, Japanese Consul at Lisbon, reports to his Government that the French House of Deputies has passed a resolution raising the Customs duty on Japanese silk to 9 francs per kilo. The present rate is 2 to 3 francs per kilo. In reference to this the *Huigo News* says:—The wire from the Japanese Consul respecting the raising of the import duty in France on Japanese silks appears to have thrown the silk manufacturers into a fever of excitement. Meetings have been held, telegrams have been sent to the Government on the subject, and delegates have been appointed to proceed to Tokyo to use their powers of persuasion upon the Ministers.

IT IS REMARKABLE.

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THE OPEN DOOR.—A SUGGESTION.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

HONGKONG, January 4.

DEAR SIR,—Lord Charles Beresford gave, yesterday afternoon, as all know, a most interesting and well-pondered address as to what ought to be done to preserve the integrity of China, and as to the means of ensuring 'the open door' for the commerce of all these nations trading with China.

By 'the open door' is, of course, meant, that no nation must put up prohibitive tariffs, but that an equal and equanimous tariff be exacted on all goods without prejudice to the origin of the goods, i.e., that no nation should enjoy any preferential tariff or no tariff at all.

To preserve the integrity of China and to obtain the open door, Lord Charles advocated an Anglo-American-German-Japanese alliance.

This idea of a quadruple alliance is very likely only based on the material fact that these four nations are the ones chiefly interested in the trade with China, and who, therefore, have at heart her welfare. China requires a friend to guide her, and no doubt she would willingly accept one if she were sure the friendship would be a disinterested one. The taking of Kiaochau, Wei-hai wei, Port Arthur, Tientsin, are not acts of tokens of friendship, especially the two last-named.

It is no good saying 'I'll be your friend if the terms of friendship are to be abused. That is not friendship. Prove that you are friendly first, and if your friendship is taken and proves to be such, you may perhaps be then recompensed.'

The quadruple alliance would prove to China that there is no one-sided interest, but that the alliance is for the benefit of all concerned, and China itself would be the one who would reap the most benefit. The moment the alliance is formed there would be no more trespassing or grabbing of land; most likely, some retreats instead.

Lord Charles will undoubtedly fight out his ideas inch by inch at Home, and will do his level best to carry his point in the interest of the British Empire and of peace, which is common to all nations.

Would it perhaps be out of place if I were to propose for us to back Lord Charles to the utmost?

Lord Charles' address clearly shows that the first thing to be done is to form the quadruple alliance he advocates. May I therefore most respectfully beg to suggest that a public petition be sent to the Government, begging them to take the matter up without delay, and that a mutual understanding be arrived at between the contracting parties that the work to be carried out must be prompt and taken up simply? If it is to be efficient, it must be started at once or it may be too late, although the lost ground could be retrieved, still the expense would perhaps be greater than it would be now.

I leave the lead to the leaders of the Colony. They have expended outwards to Lord Charles, in the name of the Colony, with a public petition, signed by everyone, without prejudice to creed or nationality. Let all join for the good of all.—Yours,

A BRITISHER.

WORK ON THE HANKOW-CANTON LINE.

Work on the Hankow-Canton line bids fair to be started at an early date. Three surveying parties, each with an engineer, have already started from the Hankow end, and Sheng Tao-tai is starting for Huan in a few days to facilitate the work and inspect it on the spot.

The Japanese Budget now in the hands of the Lower House makes provision for the maintenance of 75 students abroad, against 50, the number hitherto supported by the State. This increase is welcomed by vernacular newspapers, but is not considered sufficient. They allege that the Government ought to have the advantage of comparing their education in Europe or America, and their advance as a principal reason the argument that a great want of school teachers is felt in Japan. The cause of education has not received any of the extraordinary consideration on other institutions, especially the Army and Navy, in recent years, and the nation is beginning to be sharply conscious of great imperfections in its educational machinery. Universities must soon be established in Kiu-shan and also in the north of the empire, and the school will have to be enlarged everywhere. Nothing presses more urgently, therefore, than the provision of an increased number of school teachers. Such is the view of the vernacular newspapers. But to outsiders it seems that the main defect in Japan is not the shortage of teachers, but the inadequate remuneration paid to her school-teachers. A cook or a house-servant is incomparably better off in the greatest majority of cases than a teacher in a school. It is hopeless to expect that good men will adopt a profession offering such meagre prospects, and as for students who have had the benefit of education abroad, we should think that, under present circumstances, pedagogy is the last form of employment they would select.—Japan Mail.

News from Peking is eagerly welcomed here (writes the correspondent of the *N.-O. Daily News* at Sanyuan in Shenai). The news of the coup d'état came by wire, and created great consternation and despair. Several schools from this district were more or less connected with Kang Yu-wei and his society. And these men, innocent of any crime, were for a time in terror of their lives. Most of them are known personally to the writer, and he can testify to their goodness and worth. Their only thought is the advancement of China. They are perfectly loyal subjects and are grateful to those members of the triumphant party in Peking who restrained the fury of the Empress Dowager. The impression produced in the public mind by this stroke of the Empress Dowager is very unfavourable to the government. To the Chinese mind, Imperial commands are as firm and unchangeable as the hills, and to abrogate the edicts of one month by counter-edicts the next month, does not conform to the Chinese idea of a Superior Man. Besides, the young Emperor was very popular. People had confidence in him which they lack in the 'Babylonian' woman. She will not increase the dislike and distrust already felt if she reinstates Li Hung-chang in great office and warms him up. For these Chinese detested and despised by his fellow countrymen, it is Li, the traitor, as he is commonly called. When the news of the murder of six Hanlin first came, people in their excitement hardly knew what to do. One scholar excitedly came to us and wanted to know if any English company would insure his life. He had to be told that he must leave China first and then there would be no difficulty in finding plenty of offices ready to speculate in such a good business as his. To judge from one's experience, the people are quite ready for a change and would welcome 'the open door' and the introduction of foreign ideas as well as trade. Chinese merchants would be glad of some change for the better in the present system of customs charges.

THE PUNJUM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Secretary of the Punjum Mining Co., Limited, advises us that he has received the following progress report on work done at the Company's mines in Pahang during the month of November 1889:—

Mining and Prospecting.

Jala—August Shaft, Level No. 8.—Prospecting Work No. 1.—This was continued, the lode and ore on which it was being sunk having entirely cut out. 31 ft. was driven northward from near the bottom of this mine, through low grade ore (filling 4.484 dwts. per ton).

Prospecting Work No. 2.—This was sunk in through almost barren ground. At depth 28 ft. was driven easterly, crossing what is apparently a lode running Northward and Southerly, some 8' thick, but of no payable value. This is what was known as the Slide, above, gave payable stone in place. I am told. Immediately East of and pulling against this is what is known as the East and West lode which the drive is on the strike of, but nothing payable shows therein.

Tunkong Level No. 7.—This was continued 38' on the lode which is about the same, as before, well defined, some 8' thick. The ore is low grade and refractory, not payable by amalgamation, but perhaps so with concentration, which we are preparing for now.

East Drive.—This was driven easterly 29' directly opposite the West drive on the lode, it being therein of the same character and value as in the West drive.

North Drive.—This was continued 3' 6" proving we were through the lode driving on and stopped, but on its face are bunches of quartz and further prospecting may be done here later.

Machinery.—Winding engine from one of the shafts at the Jala Mine was put in place here.

New Find.—Prospecting the apex of this lode was continued, but nothing of value or but little promise shown.

South Tunkong.—Nothing further was done in the shaft here, but surface prospecting resumed, and a continuation of the good ore, recently had in limited quantities, on the surface developed. It is not yet proven if there is a reef of any importance here or not. The quartz does not as a rule carry payable gold, but the gold occurs in soft and more or less decomposed stuff along the line of supposed reef. Such ore as has been got mills about an ounce per ton.

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Mr. C. SCHWENCKE has been Au-
thorized to SIGN our FIRM by pro-
curation in Hongkong from this date.

CARLOWITZ & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1899.

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Hongkong, January 1, 1899.

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Hongkong, December 8, 1898.

NOTICE.

MR. COLIN McD. SMART has this
day been Authorized to SIGN our
FIRM per pro-curation.

BAIN & REID.
Hongkong, December 5, 1898.

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(NOTICE OF CALL).

NOTICE is hereby given that, at a
MEETING of the Board of Direc-
tors of the above Company held at No. 5,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria, Hong-
kong, on the 25th day of December, 1898,
the following Resolution was passed:

'That a FIRST and FINAL CALL of
TEN DOLLARS (\$10) per SHARE, upon
all the SHAREHOLDERS in the above
Company, in respect of all the SHARES held
by them in the above Company, be and the
same is hereby made. Such Call to be
Paid to the Company at their Bankers,
the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
'CORPORATION, Queen's Road Central, Vic-
toria, Hongkong, on or before the 1st day
of March, 1899.'

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the HONGKONG LAND
INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.,
General Agents for the
West Point Building Company, Ltd.,
Hongkong, January 1, 1899.

THE WANCHAI WAREHOUSE AND
STORAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that, at a
MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will
be held at the Office of the General
Managers, No. 5, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
on MONDAY, the 16th January, 1899, at
3 o'clock in the AFTERNOON, for the pur-
pose of receiving the Report of the General
Managers, together with a Statement of
Accounts to the 31st December, 1898.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 7th to
16th January, 1899, both days inclusive.

MEYER & Co.,
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Hongkong, December 30, 1898.

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an hour.

3.30 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every quarter of

an hour.

Night cars at 8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m. and from

8.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

An additional car will run at 2.40 p.m.

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Extra Night cars at 11.00 and 11.45 p.m.

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Noon to 2 p.m. Every quarter of an hour.

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